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Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith for filing in the above-identified application the following:

- 1. Amendment and Response (22 pages, including 9 pages of Appendix A);
- 2. Request for Three-Month Extension of Time (1 page, in duplicate); and
- 3. A Pre-Paid Acknowledgment Postcard.

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This is in response to the Office Action (Paper No. 33) mailed from the Patent Office on May 23, 2002, in the above-referenced patent application. A separate request for a three-month extension of time along with the appropriate fee is being filed concurrently herewith.